



VFW MEMORIAL POST NO. 3199



MAY-JUNE NEWSLETTER

APRIL 30, 2016



COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

My Fellow Comrades:

I hope we are all in good health and in good spirits. This year has really gone by fast. I want to thank all who have supported me and have stuck by my side. We had our nominations and elections. Our new officers are:

Commander:	Jason Simpson	Judge Advocate:	Stan Wengert
Sr. Vice:	Basil Amesquita	1 st Yr. Trustee:	Frank Hushler
Jr. Vice:	Joe Anchondo	2 nd Yr. Trustee:	Dan Cruz
Adjutant:	Dick Barbosa	3 rd Yr. Trustee:	Fred Garcia
Quartermaster:	Phil Smidtt		
Chaplain:	Joe Velasquos		

Jason may be the youngest Commander this Post ever had. He's a good man and he has a lot of good ideas. He will be really busy providing himself to the Post by being Post Commander and Caretaker too. We need to help him in any way we can. I will continue to support and guide him in whatever needs he may require.

Keep a close eye on our Calendar of Events. Our most important event will be our Loyalty Day, April 30th. Help out anyway you can, even if it is by just cleaning up. We need your help.

We have our Post Appreciation Day on May 7th, please all come to the event. We will have a BBQ in the Park. Also, before the BBQ, we will have the Installation of New Officers along with our Auxiliaries. Sandi Crews has been doing a good job providing us with information.

For our Post Appreciation Day, I would really like to have everyone who attends to provide a side dish, potato or macaroni salads, desserts, anything to make our function great. Post will provide the meat for the BBQ. A sign-up sheet for side dishes will be posted in the Canteen. Bring your family and enjoy the afternoon!

If you have articles for the Newsletter, please submit, so we can get them in the Newsletter.

Don't forget our 7th Street Memorial Parade and Acacia and Lakewood Ceremonies on Memorial Day. Very important functions to attend that day.

If we have Comrades that are ill or not feeling well, please keep them in our prayers. If you have lost family members, our hearts and prayers are with you. God Bless Us All! God Bless America!



Sincerely,
Basil Amesquita
Commander VFW 3199



LADIES AUXILIARY CORNER

HELLO TO ALL:

Thank you to all that have devoted their time through the year. We greatly appreciate all your hard work. It takes a team to have a successful year.

Our Easter Egg Hunt was a great success. You gals did a great job putting this together and making it fun for the little ones, and yourselves as well. Mary Rohrs, Stacey Palleschi, Mary Helen Parmley, Mary Brown, Karen Dick, Elaine Scheeringa, Teresa (T) and to the Easter Bunny, who did a fantastic job, Jeanie Palleschi. Also, to Commander Basil for helping with the food and Jason Simpson for doing a great job on the park, and to all that brought eggs and candy in. A Huge Thank You to you all. We had a member pass away, Coffee Jim Crites. The Crites family donated a little over \$200.00 towards our Easter Event in Jim's name. Thank you to the Crites family. Coffee Jim will be greatly missed. Our prayers go out to his family.

Thank you to those that help with our breakfast. You all are doing a good job.

May 7th – 11:00 AM we will be having installation of new officers for the upcoming year and our Appreciation Day for members and the community. Please come out and join us. Lunch will be provided.

May 30th – Memorial Day Services – 7th Street Bridge – Starts at 9 AM, but if you are participating you need to be there at 8 AM – Acacia – Starts at 11 AM, if participating you need to be there at 10 AM, and Lakewood – Starts at 1 PM, if participating you need to be there at 12 Noon. Post will be serving lunch at Noon. We will need to help in taking down the flags with the American Legion at 3:00 PM.

The Auxiliaries are working together on a fundraiser, a Wagon of Booze. \$1.00 a ticket or \$5.00 for 6 tickets. At the Ladies Breakfast on May 1st at 10:30 AM, the drawing will take place. Last year, our Commander Pat Rosales won The Wheel Barrow of Booze. Think she can win again? Or will it be me? Come out and join us, you just might win.

I was just informed that a Men's Auxiliary Member, Josh Menchaca was hurt. Our prayers are with you for a speedy recovery. Also, JoeAnn Hagerty and Barbara Anchondo both took falls. Our prayers are with you both. Also, Anthony Passalacqua is recovering from his illness. Continue to keep him in your prayers. Keep Linda Thompson in your prayers as she is still going through the death of her husband Gabe and needs our support and prayers.

Our deepest condolences to those who have lost a loved one. Please call our Chaplain Barbara Peck at 526-9030 to notify us of anyone you know that is ill. Again, Thank You to All for your support in all that we do.

Officers for 2016-17: President: Lisa Addi	Guard: Elaine Scheeringa
Sr. Vice: Stacey Palleschi	Secretary: Deana Lewis
Jr. Vice: Jeanie Palleschi	Treasurer: Mary Rohrs
Chaplain: Mary Helen Parmley	1 st Trustee: Karen Dick
Conductress: Karen Dick	2 nd Trustee: Jeanie Palleschi
	3 rd Trustee: To be announced

Thank you all for taking an office. Without you, we could not continue to have an Auxiliary. We know you will all do a great job for our Auxiliary.

God Bless You All
V.F.W. Auxiliary President,
Lisa Addi



AUXILIARY CORNER

To All The Members of Post 3199:

As of right now, there is not much to report. We have a couple of things coming up that's in the making.

Our last meeting, which is the fourth Sunday of the month, fell on Easter Sunday and like everybody else, everyone had plans, so we did not have a meeting.

As for the elections, everyone is going to take the same position as they hold this year.

I have talked to Jason about a couple of projects for this coming year and he is really interested and hope we can get them started at the beginning of the new year.

Thank you,
Dwane Driskell
V.F.W. Auxiliary President



People, Comrades and Auxiliaries:

I had the pleasure of attending and participating alongside our fellow Ceres Post 10293 in many recent honor guard ceremonies. I personally would like to extend my appreciation for the opportunity. To place this in context, there are 320 million Americans, as of the 2014 Census, of those, 21.8 million are veterans of the United States Military. 298.2 Americans relied or rely on the Brave Men and Women of our country that have stepped up to the plate rendering themselves as pawns of freedom conflict after conflict. During these times of conflict and tribulation Proud Americans not in the United States Armed forces have been the reinforcement, the home front structure and support fueling those service members with great sense of purpose and pride. That purpose and pride never leaves a veteran. It literally follows them to the grave. Yet the grave should not be the last place to honor these Warriors of Democracy. I'm asking everyone who comes across this message, to take time out, when possible, to just remain being the Proud American Backbone Supporters of our Great Nation and pass on the message that support and gratefulness to remain Proud Americans continues to exist. The message, takes but a few seconds, but distills a lifetime to 21.8 million. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE." Let's pass it on!

To All The Veterans and Proud Americans,
My Best Regards,
Jason Simpson
Chaplain



FROM THE V.F.W. AUXILIARY CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Just found out that Barbara Anchondo hasn't been out the last several months, due to injuries from a fall. Then end of March, she was able to be at the John Thurman Field for the Vietnam War 50th Commemorative Ceremony. It was a beautiful day and I'm glad she was able to be there.
At the April meeting, Eleanor Tharpe was in attendance. Due to health issues, Eleanor had been unable to get out. It was nice to have her back with us.
At the April meeting, Eleanor let us know that JoeAnn Hagerty is laid up after a recent fall in her home. To all that are ill, hope you have a speedy recovery. Please continue to keep one another in your prayers.
PLEASE DO NOT FORGET THEM.

Barbara Peck
V.F.W. Auxiliary Chaplain

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MAY EVENTS

JUNE EVENTS

April 30 Loyalty Day – 5:30 PM No Host Bar 6:00 PM Dinner

May 7 Post Appreciation Day
Installation of Officers for 2016-17 11:00 AM
Post Appreciation starts right after installation

June 9 House Committee Mtg. 6:00 PM
June 10 General & Auxiliary Mtgs. 7:00 PM
June 14 Fly The Flag Day

May 12 House Committee Mtg. 6:00 PM

May 13 General & Auxiliary Mtgs. 7:00 PM

May 14 Catch A Smile Day – Fishing for Handicapped Children
Starts about 10:00 AM to about 1:00 PM

May 30 Memorial Day – 7th Street Bridge – Starts 9:00 AM,
Acacia – Starts 11:00 AM, Lakewood – Starts 1:00 PM
If you are participating you need to be there an hour
before the ceremonies start.



2015-2016
Post Officers

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Sr. Vice: William Gomez	760-669-6133
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Adjutant: Dick Barboza	209-529-2295
Quartermaster: Ron Richter	209-
Chaplain: Jason Simpson	209-614-2593
Judge Advocate: Stan Wengert	209-521-2308
1 st Yr. Trustee: Dionicio Cruz	209-521-9632
2 nd Yr. Trustee: Lin Thornton	209-523-4169
3 rd Yr. Trustee: Alfred Garcia	209-521-5180

LADIES AUXILIARY

President: Lisa Addi	209-679-2688
Sr. Vice: Stacey Palleschi	209-222-1399
Jr. Vice: Karen Dick	209-324-8044
Treasurer: Mary Rohrs	209-521-5977
Secretary: Julia Foster	209-809-6897
Chaplain: Barbara Peck	209-526-9030

MEN'S AUXILIARY

President: Dwane Driskell	209-985-1884
Sr. Vice: Lee Parmley	209-534-3215
Jr. Vice:	
Secretary/	
Treasurer: Roger Wheeler	209-538-5879
Chaplain: Raul Velez	209-872-7404

NOTE: If I have made any mistakes in this Newsletter, please let me know. If you have any articles for the next Newsletter, I will need them by June 15th for the July/August Newsletter. I can be reached at sandimax1962@yahoo.com or 209-765-5726. We are also looking for volunteers to do a Friday night dinner. If you are interested, please contact Cindy, one of our bartenders or you can contact me. If we know ahead of time, we can put it in the next Newsletter and you will know what we will be serving on Friday nights.

A MOMENT FOR YOU – YOU’VE ACCOMPLISHED MORE THAN YOU THINK YOU HAVE, MADE MORE SMART CHOICES, THAN YOU REALIZE, TOUCHED MORE HEARTS THAN YOU’RE AWARE OF – AND YOU HAVE MORE GOOD QUALITIES THAN ANYONE CAN COUNT! WHICH MEANS YOU DESERVE MORE CREDIT THAN YOU GIVE YOURSELF! SO STAND TALL. YOU’RE AMAZING!

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The members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 3199, Ladies Auxiliary and Men's Auxiliary ask that you always "Remember our Fallen Comrades".

Come join us for breakfast or dinner and have the Post members do the cooking!

Every Friday is dinner from 4:00 pm-7:00 pm. \$6.00 - \$10.00 donation. Call Post for information. On meeting nights 4pm-6:45pm-Hamburger Night

Every Sunday is breakfast from 7:30 am—11:00 am, \$7.00 donation